

## Comparators, Aspirants and Peers as of Spring 2009

### USG Comparator Peers

Institution	City	State	Peer Assessment	Avg. Freshman Retention	Avg. Graduation Rate	% of classes under 20	% of classes 50 or more	Students per faculty	% of Full Time Fac.	SAT/ACT 25-75th percentile	Fresh. in top 25% of HS class	Acceptance rate	Avg. Alumni Giving	Tier/ Rank	Region
The University of Texas at Tyler	Tyler	TX	2.8	61%	44%	36%	14%	17	85%	950-1170	N/A	80%	4%	3	West
Lamar University	Beaumont	TX	2	66%	38%	69%	0%	9	40%	860-1070	37%	71%	5%	4	West
Auburn University at Montgomery	Montgomery	AL	2.9	57%	29%	53%	1%	15	82%	40108	N/A	92%	4%	3	South
Salem State College	Salem	MA	2.4	74%	40%	55%	1%	17	70%	860-1070	N/A	60%	10%	4	North
Salisbury University	Salisbury	MD	2.9	82%	69%	30%	3%	18	87%	1030-1200	61%	56%	14%	Ranked 35	North
University of Illinois at Springfield	Springfield	IL	2.7	79%	56%	59%	0%	12	82%	20-25	36%	62%	9%	Ranked 26	Midwest
The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga	Chattanooga	TN	3.2	65%	48%	46%	2%	17	80%	19-24	41%	83%	6%	Ranked 35	South
Indiana University at South Bend	South Bend	IN	2.7	64%	24%	43%	4%	14	75%	830-1050	24%	83%	8%	4	Midwest
University of North Alabama	Florence	AL	2.8	67%	38%	45%	4%	22	84%	18-23	45%	85%	5%	3	South
Armstrong Atlantic State University	Savannah	GA	2.5	68%	21%	42%	4%	17	81%	910-1100	N/A	60%	n/a	4	South
Northeastern Illinois University	Chicago	IL	2.5	68%	17%	44%	2%	16	81%	16-21	17%	68%	2%	4	Midwest
Columbus State University	Columbus	GA	2.60	71%	31%	32%	5%	19	80%		N/A	56%	11%	4	South

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All			2.67	68%	39%	47%	3%	15.82	77%		37%	73%	7%	11
Top			2.93	75%	58%	45%	2%	15.67	83%		46%	67%	10%	3
3rd Tier			2.83	62%	37%	45%	6%	18.00	84%		45%	86%	4%	3
4th Tier			2.42	68%	28%	51%	2%	14.60	69%		26%	68%	6%	5
Columbus State University			2.60	71%	31%	32%	5%	19	80%		N/A	56%	11%	Tier 4

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### USG Aspirational Peers

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The University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Greensboro	NC	2.5	77%	50%	45%	11%		90%	930-1140	15%	71%	7%	3	National
Northern Illinois University	DeKalb	IL	2.4	78%	52%	37%	12%		91%	20-24	9%	61%	12%	4	National
Western Michigan University	Kalamazoo	MI	2.3	74%	54%	41%	11%		86%	20-25	10%	86%	8%	3	National
University of Northern Colorado	Greeley	CO	2.1	69%	48%	34%	13%		89%	20-24	10%	91%	5%	4	National
University of North Florida	Jacksonville	FL	3	77%	47%	23%	12%	22	86%	20-23	47%	66%	8%	Ranked 43	South
The University of Tennessee at Chattanooga	Chattanooga	TN	3.2	65%	48%	46%	2%	17	80%	19-24	41%	83%	6%	Ranked 35	South
University of Akron	Akron	OH	2.1	66%	34%	41%	6%		73%	18-24	12%	82%	13%	4	National
James Madison University	Harrisonburg	VA	4	92%	80%	31%	14%	16	87%	1050-1230	75%	64%	9%	Ranked 4	South
University of Wisconsin at Whitewater	Whitewater	WI	2.8	76%	52%	35%	5%	21	90%	20-24	32%	75%	13%	Ranked 60	Midwest
Columbus State University	Columbus	GA	2.60	71%	31%	32%	5%	19	80%		N/A	56%	11%	4	South

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All	2.71	75%	52%	37%	10%	19	86%	28%	75%	9%	9
National	2.28	73%	48%	40%	11%		86%	11%	78%	9%	5
Masters	3.25	78%	57%	34%	8%	19	86%	49%	72%	9%	4
Columbus State University	2.60	71%	31%	32%	5%	19	80%	N/A	56%	11%	Masters

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### IPEDS Comparison Group

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Armstrong Atlantic State University	Savannah	GA	2.5	68%	21%	42%	4%	17	81%	910-1100	N/A	60%	N/A	4	South
Auburn University at Montgomery	Montgomery	AL	2.9	57%	29%	53%	1%	15	82%	18-22	N/A	92%	4%	3	South
Augusta State University	Augusta	GA	2.5	66%	22%	42%	1%	18	81%	944-1037	N/A	53%	5%	4	South
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond	KY	2.9	65%	36%	48%	4%	16	79%	18-23	N/A	69%	9%	3	South
Jacksonville State University	Jacksonville	AL	2.6	68%	36%	45%	5%	20	88%	17-22	31%	86%	10%	3	South
Louisiana State University at Shreveport	Shreveport	LA	2.7	60%	20%	N/A	N/A	N/A	82%	20-24	39%	76%	N/A	4	South
McNeese State University	Lake Charles	LA	2.7	68%	32%	44%	10%	21	91%	2100%	36%	79%	N/A	4	South
Purdue University – Calumet Campus	Hammond	IN	2.8	63%	22%	24%	5%	17	80%	790-1020	21%	79%	3%	4	Midwest
University of Arkansas at Little Rock	Little Rock	AR	2.2	N/A	23%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4	National
University of Central Oklahoma	Edmond	OK	2.6	66%	34%	30%	4%	22	77%	19-23	34%	72%	1%	4	West
University of North Alabama	Florence	AL	2.8	67%	38%	45%	4%	22	84%	18-23	45%	85%	5%	3	South
The University of North Carolina at Pembroke	Pembroke	NC	2.6	70%	36%	47%	3%	14	84%	850-1040	30%	86%	15%	3	South
Columbus State University	Columbus	GA	2.60	71%	31%	32%	5%	19	80%		N/A	56%	11%	4	South

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All	2.65	65%	29%	42%	4%	18.2	83%	34%	76%	7%	12
Masters - Tier 3	2.76	65%	35%	48%	3%	17.4	83%	35%	84%	9%	5
Masters - Tier 4	2.63	65%	25%	36%	5%	19.0	82%	33%	70%	3%	7
Columbus State University	2.60	71%	31%	32%	5%	19	80%	N/A	56%	11%	Teir 4